UNITED STATES OF AMERICA UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff,)	Case No. 1:08-cr-248
)	
v.)	Honorable Janet T. Neff
)	
JOSAFAT FACUNDO)	
CHONCOA-TETZOYOTL,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
)	

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Pursuant to W.D. MICH. L.CR.R. 11.1, I conducted a plea hearing in the captioned case on October 29, 2008, after receiving the written consent of defendant and all counsel. At the hearing, defendant Josafat Facundo Choncoa-Tetzoyotl entered a plea of guilty to count 1 of the Indictment charging him with knowing use of a false identification document, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1546(b)(2). There was no written plea agreement. Two oral agreements by the government were placed on the record: (1) the government agreed to move to dismiss count 2 of the Indictment; (2) the government agreed that defendant has entered a timely guilty plea. On the basis of the record made at the hearing, I find that defendant is fully capable and competent to enter an informed plea; that the plea is made knowingly and with full understanding of each of the rights waived by defendant; that it is made voluntarily and free from any force, threats, or promises, except for the oral

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promises stated on the record; that the defendant understands the nature of the charge and penalties

provided by law; and that the plea has a sufficient basis in fact.

I therefore recommend that defendant's plea of guilty to count 1 of the Indictment be

accepted and that the court adjudicate defendant guilty of the charge. Acceptance of the plea,

adjudication of guilt, and imposition of sentence are specifically reserved for the district judge.

The Clerk is directed to procure a transcript of the plea hearing for review by the

District Judge.

Dated: October 29, 2008

/s/ Joseph G. Scoville

U.S. Magistrate Judge

NOTICE TO PARTIES

You have the right to <u>de novo</u> review of the foregoing findings by the district judge. Any application for review must be in writing, must specify the portions of the findings or proceedings objected to, and must be filed and served no later than ten days after the plea hearing. *See* W.D. MICH. L.CR.R. 11.1(d). A failure to file timely objections may result in the waiver of any further right to seek appellate review of the plea-taking procedure. *See Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *Neuman v. Rivers*, 125 F.3d 315, 322-23 (6th Cir.), *cert. denied*, 522 U.S. 1030 (1997); *United States v. Walters*, 638 F.2d 947 (6th Cir. 1981).